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SUBJECT: SECRETARY BUTZ'S VISIT

1. IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PRESS QUERIESWE WOULD LIKE TO CALL
SECRETARY BUTZ ATTENTION TO EMBTEL 10279 ON ALLEGED MISTREATMENT OF
ILLEGAL ALIENS(BRACEROS), IN US, PARTICULARLY AMBASSADOR'S IMPROMPTU
RESPONSE TO QUESTION IN PARA TWO.

2. ALSO, AMB OLLOQUI WAS RECENTLY QUERIED ON SAME SUBJECT IN US-
MEXICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING AND HE STATED THAT HE HAD
PERSONALLY VISITED BRACEROS AND FOUND THEM TO BE WELL TREATED AND
WELL FED-- ALTHOUGH PAID SLIGHTLY LESS THAN AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS.
HE SUGGESTED POSSIBLE SOLUTION WAS TO CREATE MORE EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES IN MEXICO. US COULD HELP IN THIS REGARD HE SAID BY
PERMITTING LARGER IMPORTS OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SUCH AS TOMATOES,
STRAWBERRIES AND AVOCADOS.

3. ANOTHER FAVORITE WHIPPING BOY HERE AS ELSEWHERE IS THE INFLUENCE
OF MULTINATIONAL FIRMS. MEXICANS ARE PARTICULARLY SENSITIVE TO
PROMINENT ROLE OF US FIRMS IN FOOD PROCESSING AND IN MIXED FEEDS
INDUSTRY WITH PERIODIC CALLS FOR NATIONALIZATION OF THESE FIRMS.
IF THIS QUESTION COMES UP SECRETARY MAY WISH TO MENTION RECENT
STANFORD RESEARCH STUDY WHICH CONCLUDED THAT FOREIGN INVESTMENT
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IN MEXICO:

A) IS NOT EXPLOITIVE.
B) CREATES JOBS AND DEVELOPS SKILLS AND LOCAL MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL.
C) BUILDS SELF-SUFFICIENCY THROUGH DEVELOPING RESOURCES AND EXPORTS.
D) IS A LONG-TERM COMMITMENT WHICH DOES NOT DECAPITALIZE THE COUNTRY.
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